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Prior to substantive Examination of the above-identified patent application, please enter the following.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the following paragraph: (See Appendix A)

## Related Application(s)

This is a continuation-in-part of a co-pending application filed on September 17, 1999 under serial number 09/398,233.